

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR USE AGAINST ACNE-INDUCED INFLAMMATION AND DERMAL MATRIX-DEGRADING ENZYMES**, the specification of which is filed herewith.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

Priority Claim: I hereby claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119, § 120, § 121, and/or § 365 as applicable to the following application(s): serial number 60/134984, filed 20 May 1999.

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